



NDMA MOCK EXERCISE ON EARTHQUAKE & TSUNAMI

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**NDMA MOCK EXERCISE ON TSUNAMI & CYCLONE
in
ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS**

organized by

**National Disaster Management Authority, Govt. of India, New Delhi
and**

Andaman & Nicobar Administration

in collaboration with

Indian National Centre Ocean Information Services, Hyderabad



1. INTRODUCTION

The Andaman and Nicobar Islands, located in the Bay of Bengal, are highly vulnerable to multiple natural and human-induced hazards due to their unique geographical, ecological, and socio-economic characteristics. Situated in a seismically active zone, the islands are prone to earthquakes, tsunamis, cyclones, coastal erosion, and landslides, as witnessed during the devastating 2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami. Their geographical isolation, fragile ecosystems, dispersed population, and limited infrastructure further compound disaster risks and pose challenges to emergency response efforts. Low-lying coastal areas remain particularly exposed to storm surges and sea-level rise, while the livelihoods of the inhabitants—primarily dependent on tourism, fisheries, and agriculture—are highly sensitive to climatic variations.

The presence of indigenous and tribal communities with limited access to modern facilities adds to the socio-economic vulnerability of the region. Collectively, these factors make the Andaman and Nicobar Islands one of India's most disaster-prone and environmentally fragile regions, underscoring the need for sustained disaster preparedness, resilient infrastructure, and climate adaptation strategies.



2. BACKGROUND

The Directorate of Disaster Management, Andaman and Nicobar Administration, in collaboration with the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) and Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS), successfully conducted the Mock Exercise on Earthquake and Tsunami Disasters on 04 November 2025.

The exercise formed part of a nationwide initiative to observe World Tsunami Awareness Day, aimed at strengthening disaster preparedness, coordination, and community response capacities across the East Coast of India. This report encapsulates the concept, conduct, and key learning derived from the Mock Exercise in the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands. The Mock Exercise was conceived under the broader framework of disaster preparedness in coastal and island regions of India, recognising the vulnerability of the Bay of Bengal coastline to tsunamis, cyclones, and seismic events. NDMA, in association with INCOIS, planned the Inter-State Joint Mock Exercise (ME) to assess readiness levels, validate response plans, and promote the “Whole of Government and Whole of Community” approach across the participating States and Union Territories. The Mock Exercise involved participation from all coastal districts and island territories along the East Coast, including Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Andhra Pradesh, Odisha, and Puducherry.



3. AIM & OBJECTIVE

The primary aim of the Mock Exercise was to test and strengthen the preparedness and response mechanism of State and District Disaster Management Authorities in handling multi-hazard coastal emergencies like Earthquakes and Tsunamis.

Specific Objectives

- To review and update the Disaster Management Plans of State, District, and line departments.
- To enhance the efficiency of the alert dissemination mechanism for timely evacuation and response.
- To generate community awareness by involving local institutions, NGOs, and the media.
- To identify and bridge gaps in disaster communication, emergency operations, and mass evacuation processes.
- To ensure the activation of Incident Response System (IRS) and EOCs in coordination with central and local agencies.

Concept of the Mock Exercise

The exercise was conducted by NDMA and SDMAs in association with INCOIS, engaging all relevant stakeholders including government departments, PSUs, Armed Forces, CAPFs, NGOs, and local communities. The SDMA adopted a “Whole of Government, Whole of Community” approach — involving every section of the administration and society in the preparedness and response framework.

Critical infrastructure operators such as Airports, Ports, Power, Water, Fuel, Telecom, Shipping, Health, Fire & Rescue, Fisheries, and Petroleum sectors actively participated, ensuring realistic simulation and coordinated response.



4. PHASED PROGRAMME AND STAGES OF THE EXERCISE

The Inter-State Mock Exercise was executed in three distinct stages, with each stage focusing on specific preparedness aspects:

Stage	Event	Date	Key Participants
Stage 1	Orientation & Coordination Conference	28.10.2025	State and district officials, line departments, Armed Forces, NDMA & INCOIS
Stage 2	Table Top Exercise (TTEx)	31.10.2025 (A&N Islands)	State officials, ESFs, EOCs, NDMA representatives
Stage 3	Mock Exercise (Field Execution)	04.11.2025	All stakeholders, line departments, Armed Forces, CAPFs, community groups



STAGE 1 – ORIENTATION & COORDINATION CONFERENCE (OCC)

The Orientation and Coordination Conference (OCC) marked the formal initiation of the preparatory phase of the Inter-State Joint Mock Exercise (ISME-2025) on Earthquake and Tsunami for the Andaman & Nicobar Islands. Convened in coordination with the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS) and



the Andaman & Nicobar Administration, Chaired by the Secretary (Disaster Management), A&N Administration, and attended by senior officers of the Directorate of Disaster Management, District Collectors, representatives from the Andaman & Nicobar Command (ANC), NDRF, Police, and all line departments, the OCC provided a common platform to review the roles and responsibilities of all concerned agencies. The conference was aimed at sensitizing all key stakeholders about the concept, scope, and operational framework of the upcoming exercise.



The session opened with a briefing by Comdt. (Retd.) Aditya Kumar, Senior Consultant (NDMA) & Mock Exercise Coordinator, who outlined the overall concept of operations, highlighting the “Whole of Government and Whole of Community” approach to be followed. He underscored the importance of the Incident Response System (IRS), functioning of Emergency Operation Centres (EOCs), and the establishment of key Incident Response Facilities, including Staging Areas, Relief Camps, Incident Command Posts, and Medical Aid Posts.

By the end of the OCC, stakeholders had a shared understanding of operational expectations and coordination mechanisms to be followed during the upcoming stages, laying a robust foundation for the Table Top Exercise and the full-scale Mock Exercise.

STAGE 2 – TABLE TOP EXERCISE (TTEX)

As part of the second stage of ISME-2025, a Table Top Exercise (TTEX) was conducted under the chairmanship of Dr. Chandra Bhushan Kumar, IAS, Chief Secretary, A&N Administration, in coordination with NDMA, MHA, and New Delhi. The exercise was designed to evaluate coordination, decision-making, and preparedness procedures among various departments and agencies prior to the field exercise. The TTEX brought together representatives from all line departments, District Administrations (South, N&M Andaman and Nicobar), Armed Forces, NDRF, Police, Fire Services, Health, Power, Communication, Transport, and other stakeholders.

Objectives and Scope. The primary aim was to test the concept of operations developed during the Orientation Conference, refine departmental Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), and identify gaps in inter-agency coordination. The TTEX also served as a planning workshop for the Mock Exercise scheduled on 04 November 2025, focusing on:

- Activation of EOCs and alert dissemination protocols.



- Resource mobilisation and deployment planning under IRS.
- Evacuation and relief strategies for tsunami-affected coastal and island areas.
- Integration of GIS, drones, and digital communication tools for situational awareness.
- Early-warning procedures and CAP alert preparation.

The exercise commenced with opening remarks by the Hon'ble Member, NDMA, Lt. Gen. Syed Ata Hasnain (Retd.), who joined virtually and lauded the Administration's commitment to preparedness. He emphasised that such simulations strengthen operational readiness and ensure collective learning across agencies. In his keynote address, the Chief Secretary underscored that the TTEx provides an excellent platform to rehearse coordination and decision-making in a controlled environment. Comdt. (Retd.) Aditya Kumar, NDMA Mock Exercise Coordinator, briefed the gathering on the scenario of a magnitude 8.8 earthquake in the South Andaman Sea generating 3–5 m tsunami waves within 15 minutes.

Key Highlights

- District Collectors presented their respective preparedness plans, highlighting designated ME sites, safe zones, and available resources.
- The A&N Command outlined its contribution, including aerial reconnaissance, maritime support, and logistic coordination.
- Departments such as Health, PWD, Electricity, Fire & Rescue, Police, Food & Civil Supplies, Port, Airport, Marine & Shipping detailed their QRT formations and ESF responsibilities.
- Emphasis was placed on Tsunami Walks in schools, mass-evacuation plans, and community awareness activities to be executed on the Mock Exercise day.

The Secretary (DM), Ms. Purva Garg, in her closing remarks, appreciated the active participation of all stakeholders and stressed the importance of documentation to ensure continuous improvement. The TTEx successfully validated the preparedness framework evolved during the OCC. It enhanced inter-departmental synergy, clarified command structures, and ensured that all stakeholders were fully oriented on their respective tasks and communication flow during the forthcoming field simulation. The collective learning from this exercise directly shaped the execution strategy for the full-scale Mock Exercise on 04 November 2025.

STAGE 3 – CONDUCT OF THE MOCK EXERCISE (FULL-SCALE FIELD SIMULATION)

Date: 04 November 2025

Time: 0800 hrs – 1300 hrs

Locations for Inter State Mock Exercise – 2025

Sub-Division/Tehsils	Island/ Villages
South Andaman District	
	1. Flag Point and adjoining area (Girls School and JNRM College)
	2. Bambooflat Jetty to Old Surya Chakra Power House
	3. Junglighat Area
Swaraj Dweep	4. Swaraj Dweep
Little Andaman	5. Little Andaman
North & Middle Andaman District	
Rangat	1. Nimbutala Jetty
	2. Nilambar Jetty, Baratang
	3. Pokhadera Jetty
	4. Karmatang Village
Diglipur	5. Arial Bay Jetty
	6. LCT Jetty, Durgapur
Nicobar District	
Nancowry	1. Mus Village
	2. Kamorta
	3. Chowra
	4. Bengali Village, Teressa
Great Nicobar	5. Campbell Bay Village

The full-scale field mock exercise constituted the third and most crucial stage of the Inter-State Joint Mock Exercise (ISME-2025) on Earthquake and Tsunami preparedness in the Andaman & Nicobar Islands. The exercise was organised under the guidance of the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) in coordination with the State Disaster Management Authority (SDMA), District Administrations, and the Directorate of Disaster Management, A&N Administration, with active participation from the Armed Forces, CAPFs, line departments, and community organisations.

Exercise Scenario

At 0800 hrs, SEOC received a simulated alert from INCOIS indicating a magnitude 8.8 earthquake south of the Nicobar region, generating tsunami waves 3–5 m high expected to impact coastal areas within 20 minutes. Immediately, State EOC issued a Tsunami Warning to all District EOCs through CAP messages, VHF radio, email, and hotlines, triggering the operational sequence.



Within minutes, all District Collectors (Responsible Officers) activated the Incident Response System, convening at the DEOCs with Incident Commanders and ESF nodal officers. Local police, fire, health, and volunteer groups were mobilised; coastal sirens were sounded; and evacuation announcements were made through public-address systems.

Activation of EOCs and Communication Network

- SEOC–DEOC–Field Linkage: Two-way communication between SEOC and District EOCs remained functional throughout via VHF, satphones, and video conferencing.
- Alert Dissemination Drill: All alerts were successfully transmitted to vulnerable coastal communities within 10 minutes of message receipt, meeting NDMA standards.
- SITREPs: Situation Reports 1–4 were relayed at regular intervals, providing real-time updates on field activities and casualties (simulated).



Incident Response and Field Operations

At the designated Mock Exercise sites, Incident Command Posts (ICPs) were established, supported by Staging Areas, Medical Aid Posts, Relief Camps, and Mass Triage Centres.

Key response actions demonstrated:

1. Search and Rescue: Fire Service, SDRF, NDRF and volunteers simulated rescue of trapped persons, using life-saving equipment, cutters, and stretchers.
2. Medical Response: Health Department teams, aided by 108 Ambulances and IAG volunteers, established Triage and First-Aid Posts. Casualties were evacuated to designated hospitals.
3. Evacuation Operations: Police, CD volunteers, and Aapda Mitras guided coastal populations towards pre-identified safe zones and relief centres.
4. Mass Care and Relief: Departments of Civil Supplies, Social Welfare and Education set up community kitchens and temporary shelters, ensuring supply of dry rations, water and sanitation facilities.
5. Critical Infrastructure Safety: Operators of Ports, AAI, Electricity and Petroleum installations implemented shutdown procedures, safety checks, and communication protocols.
6. Traffic and Public Safety: Police and IRBn deployed QRTs for traffic control and law and order maintenance around evacuation corridors.
7. Technological Integration: Drones and GIS maps were used for real-time reconnaissance and damage assessment simulation.



5. MULTIPLE STAKEHOLDER APPROACH

The exercise was jointly overseen by Ms. Purva Garg, IAS, Secretary (Disaster Management); Shri Rakesh Das, DANICS, Director (Disaster Management); and Comdt. (Retd.) Aditya Kumar, Mock Exercise Coordinator, NDMA. The officials interacted virtually with District Authorities and Emergency Support Functions (ESFs) to assess their readiness, inter-agency coordination, and field-level responsiveness. Backup communication systems, including hotlines, satellite phones, and VHF sets, were effectively utilized to maintain uninterrupted connectivity throughout the exercise. Simulated requests for additional resources were coordinated with ANC and NDRF as part of the drill, ensuring operational synchronization across agencies.



PARTICIPATION DETAILS OF COMMUNITY, VOLUNTEERS AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS FROM EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTIONS (ESFS)

District: North & Middle Andaman District

Category	No. of Participants
Community Members	13837
Volunteers	280
Govt. Officials (ESFs)	2808
If any others	12
TOTAL	16925

District: South Andaman District

Category	No. of Participants
Community Members	29238
Volunteers	1118
Govt. Officials (ESFs)	4525
If any others	-
TOTAL	34881

District: Nicobar District

Category	No. of Participants
Community Members	5073
Volunteers	131
Govt. Officials (ESFs)	1206
If any others	1385
TOTAL	7795



• Role of Armed Forces and CAPFs

The Andaman & Nicobar Command (ANC), along with Indian Navy, Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, CISF and NDRF, played a vital role in augmenting civil response capabilities:

1. Conducted aerial reconnaissance and rapid deployment drills.
2. Assisted in maritime search and rescue and established communication links with coastal EOCs.
3. Supported logistics and relief material movement to staging areas.

Their involvement demonstrated the strength of civil-military coordination within the A&N Islands.

6.DEBRIEFING



The Debriefing Session of the Inter-State Joint Mock Exercise on Earthquake and Tsunami was held under the chairmanship of Ms. Chanchal Yadav, IAS, Commissioner-cum-Secretary Disaster Management & Relief and Rehabilitation), Andaman & Nicobar Administration, on 04 November 2025 at 1500 hrs in the Conference Hall of Aapda Prabandhan Bhawan, Sri Vijaya Puram. The session was attended by representatives from the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS), Andaman & Nicobar Command (ANC), National Disaster Response Force (NDRF), Emergency Support Function departments, District Administrations, Armed Forces, Central Armed Police Forces, Line Departments, Observers, and Volunteers who had actively participated in the Mock Exercise conducted earlier in the day. The debriefing commenced with a comprehensive overview by the NDMA Mock Exercise Coordinator, Comdt. (Retd.) Aditya Kumar, who highlighted the objectives, methodology, and overall execution of the day's simulation. He lauded the proactive engagement, preparedness, and dedication shown by all stakeholders in conducting the large-scale exercise involving multiple districts and field locations across the Islands. He emphasized that the successful conduct of ISME-2025 reflected the growing maturity and readiness of the A&N Administration to respond effectively to multi-hazard emergencies in the region.

The District Collectors and Incident Commanders from South Andaman, North & Middle Andaman, and Nicobar Districts presented brief reports on the conduct of the exercise in their respective jurisdictions. They outlined the sequence of events, activation of the Incident Response System (IRS), communication linkages, and coordination among the ESF departments. Key highlights included the rapid dissemination of tsunami alerts, swift evacuation of vulnerable coastal populations, establishment of Incident Command Posts, Medical Aid Posts, Relief Camps, and the functioning of Staging Areas with



The session concluded with the consensus that the observations and lessons learned from ISME-2025 would be systematically documented in the After-Action Report (AAR) and incorporated into the future District Disaster Management Plans (DDMPs). It was also decided that follow-up training and refresher workshops would be conducted for ESF nodal officers and volunteers to address the identified gaps and ensure sustained preparedness across the Islands.

7.OBSERVATIONS AND FEEDBACK

The mock exercise effectively demonstrated the communication and operational efficiency of early warning dissemination, multi-agency coordination, and field-level response mechanisms. It validated the functionality of SEOC and DEOCs, and reinforced the importance of proactive community participation. The exercise concluded successfully with the issuance of an “All Clear” message from SEOC to all stakeholders after completion of the simulated response activities.

Observer-Wise Observation Report Summary

Observer 1: Mr. S. P. Singh, Insp. (Exe.), CISF – Bambooflat, South Andaman

- Overall: Smooth exercise with good coordination among agencies.
- Strengths: Efficient IRS activation; strong inter-departmental cooperation.
- Gaps: Low community participation.
- Suggestions: Wider awareness through media and greater inclusion of volunteers.

Observer 2: Mr. P. Micky Manoj, Dy. Commandant, CISF – DEOC, South Andaman

- Overall: Systems functioned well; effective coordination.
- Strengths: Inter-agency cooperation very good.
- Gaps: Weak feedback between SEOC–DEOC; low volunteer engagement.
- Suggestions: Use of modern technology and improved real-time reporting.

Observer 3: Mr. Sunil Kumar, Dept. of Environment & Forest – Little Andaman

- Overall: Prompt response; realistic and well-executed evacuation.
- Strengths: Excellent inter-departmental coordination and preparedness.
- Gaps: Limited public participation; minor communication issues.
- Suggestions: Regular volunteer training and installation of alarm systems.

Observer 4: Ms. R. B. Rekha, ACF, Middle Andaman – Rawan Bagicha / Nimbutala Jetty

- Overall: Well-coordinated exercise; students and departments responded efficiently.
- Strengths: Quick activation, good shelters, and community compliance.
- Gaps: Limited equipment and ambulance support; weak inter-department communication.
- Suggestions: Conduct frequent joint drills and enhance medical logistics.

Summary of Overall Findings

Across all observation points, the Inter-State Mock Exercise 2025 in the Andaman & Nicobar Islands demonstrated excellent inter-agency coordination, timely activation of EOCs, and effective command and control mechanisms. Most observers rated the overall conduct as Good to Excellent, commending the preparedness and discipline of participating agencies. The common areas for improvement identified include:

- Enhanced community and volunteer participation,
- Strengthening of communication networks and feedback loops,
- Improved traffic management in urban pockets, and
- Establishment of dedicated MEDEVAC and emergency equipment facilities.



8.WAY FORWARD OF INTER STATE MOCK EXERCISE

i. Strengthening Command & Coordination

- Strengthen SEOC/DEOC command structure with real-time data and unified decision-making.
- Ensure ANC representation with fixed communication setup at SEOC.
- Mandate physical presence of all key nodal officers during emergencies.
- Conduct regular joint coordination meetings and simulation exercises.

ii. Refining SOPs & Preparedness Plans

- Update department SOPs and EAPs based on realistic “worst-case” scenarios.
- Develop SOPs for post-disaster data flow and reporting.

iii. Resource Mobilization & Utilization

- Integrate resources of ANC, ICG, NDRF, and departments under a unified framework.
- Maintain updated GIS-based resource maps at SEOC/DEOCs.
- Identify staging areas and logistics hubs near vulnerable zones

iv. strengthening Communication Systems

- Formulate a Common Communication Plan across all agencies.
- Involve BSNL and others for redundancy and quick telecom restoration.v.

v. Community-Centric Preparedness

- Enhance community outreach in remote/island regions.
- Engage schools and NGOs for awareness and preparedness activities.
- Train volunteers and establish mass triage and casualty management systems.

vi. Multi-Stakeholder Engagement

- Promote joint efforts among ANC, ICG, Forest, Pollution Control Board, and DM units.
- Conduct regular inter-agency drills and capacity-building programs.
- Strengthen collaboration with NDRF for specialized training and support.

vii. Data & Situational Awareness

- Develop a Disaster Information Management System (DIMS) at SEOC.
- Use GIS-based dashboards for real-time tracking and decision-making.
- Create a dedicated analytics and mapping cell for assessment.

viii. Institutional & Capacity Building

- Ensure senior officers’ participation in exercises for leadership.
- Conduct regular refresher trainings on marine, forest, and medical operations.

x. Recognition of Good Practices

- Acknowledge DCs/SDMs for innovative use of GIS and QR-based tracking.

9.CONCLUSION

The Inter-State Joint Mock Exercise (ISME-2025) on Earthquake and Tsunami marked a key milestone in strengthening disaster preparedness in the Andaman & Nicobar Islands. The successful multi-agency exercise reaffirmed the Administration's commitment to building a resilient and coordinated emergency response system.

In her concluding remarks, Ms. Chanchal Yadav, IAS, Commissioner-cum-Secretary (DM&RR), commended the efforts of NDMA, INCOIS, ANC, NDRF, District Administrations, and all stakeholders for their active participation and coordination. She emphasized the importance of continuous capacity building, regular mock drills, and periodic updates of Disaster Management Plans and SOPs. The debriefing underscored the need for greater community involvement and adoption of a “Whole of Government and Whole of Community” approach. The exercise concluded with a vote of thanks to all participating agencies and volunteers, symbolizing the collective resilience and preparedness of the Islands.



10. MEDIA COVERAGE

Table Top Exercise conducted for Inter State Mock Exercise - 2025

Exercise provides an excellent opportunity for all stakeholders to review their SOPs: CS

Sri Vijaya Puram, Nov. 1

A Table Top Exercise (TTE) was conducted yesterday under the chairmanship of Dr. Chandra Bhushan Kumar, IAS, Chief Secretary, A&N Administration in coordination with the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, New Delhi. The exercise was attended by all line Departments of the A&N Administration, District Administrations (South Andaman, N&M Andaman, and Nicobar) representatives from the Armed Forces, NDRF, Police, and other stakeholders of the A&N Islands. The event was held in the Conference



Hall of the Secretariat, Sri Vijaya Puram, to finalize the scenario and activities for the upcoming Inter State Mock Exercise (ISME) - 2025 on Earthquake & Tsunami, scheduled to be conducted in the A&N Islands on 4th November, 2025.

The Chief Secretary extended a warm welcome to Lt. Gen. Syed Ata Hasnain (Retd.), Hon'ble Member, NDMA (who

joined via VC mode). In his opening address, the Chief Secretary highlighted that the Table Top Exercise provides an excellent opportunity for all stakeholders, including District Administrations, Defence Forces, Police, Fire and Emergency Services, Health, Power, Communication, and Transport Departments, to review their Standard Operating Procedures

(SOPs), communication protocols, and resource mobilization plans. He emphasized that the exercise is not merely a theoretical activity but a practical simulation of coordination and decision-making processes required during real-time disaster situations. He urged all participants to actively engage in discussions, identify gaps in inter-departmental coordination, communication flow, and resource sharing, ensuring that the upcoming Inter State Mock Exercise on 4th November is conducted effectively and realistically in the Islands.

Addressing the participants virtually, (Contd. on last page)

Inter-State Mock Disaster Management Exercise on Earthquake & Tsunami conducted in A&N Islands

Staff Correspondent

Sri Vijaya Puram, Nov. 4

An Inter-State Mock Disaster Management Exercise (ISME-2025) Earthquake & Tsunami was conducted today by the Directorate of Disaster Management, A&N Administration, in coordination with the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), New Delhi, Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS), Hyderabad, Andaman & Nicobar Command (ANC), National Disaster Response Force (NDRF), District Administrations and other Emergency Support Functionaries (ESFs) of the A&N Islands. The exercise simulated an earthquake followed by a tsunami scenario.

The objective of the exercise was to test the Incident Response System (IRS) and assess the level of preparedness of all



stakeholders in the A&N Islands. ISME-2025 commenced with the detection of an earthquake by INCOIS at 8:45 AM, followed by the issuance of a tsunami alert to local authorities at 8:46 AM

from INCOIS, Hyderabad, to the State Emergency Operation Centre (SEOC) at Aapda Prabandhan Bhawan, Sri Vijaya Puram. During the exercise, tsunami sirens were

activated across the entire UT of A&N Islands. Alerts and warnings were issued, and Incident Response Teams (IRTs) carried out operations at identified incident sites. Search and Rescue (SAR) teams were deployed by the District Administrations, with assistance from the A&N Command and NDRF for rescue and evacuation operations. Various Departments, including Police, APWD, Shipping, Controller of Ports, SVPSC, Education, and

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District Administration, N&M Andaman to launch "Sampark se Samadhan - Prashasan Gaon Ki Ore"

Mayabunder, Nov. 4

The District Administration, North & Middle Andaman will launch a new grassroots public outreach initiative titled "Sampark se Samadhan-Prashasan Gaon Ki Ore" on Nov. 5 by the Deputy

Commissioner (N&MA), aimed at enhancing direct engagement with citizens and strengthening participatory governance across the district.

This initiative has been designed to bring the Administration to the doorstep of people and

reinforce the commitment towards responsive, transparent and citizen-centric governance. Under this programme, the Deputy Commissioner, North & Middle Andaman, along with the concerned Assistant




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Sirens to be blown during Inter State Mock Exercise - 2025 to be held on Nov. 4; general public urged to not to panic

Sri Vijaya Puram, Nov. 1

The general public have been informed that the Sirens have been installed in the premises of Secretariat, DBRAIT, DSS Marine, Chatham Saw Mill (Forest Dept), Police Station Aberdeen, Police Station Pahargaoon, Police Station Chatham, JNRM, Fish Landing Centre, Junglighat, IOC, Forest Guest House Corbyn's Cove, Police Station Bambooflat, Police Station, Ograbraj, Police Station, Chouldari, Police Station, Humfreygunj, O.P Wimberlygunj, O.P Ferrargunj, Police Booth, Hathitapu, OP Tirur, Tirur Jarawa Protection Post, OP Radhanagar, Rajiv Gandhi Aquaculture, Kodyghat, Police Station, Shaheed Dweep, Police Station, Swaraj Dweep, Nimbutala, Rangat, OP 19 Km, R.K Pur, I/Andaman, Fire Station, Hut Bay (I/Andaman), EOC, Car Nicobar, A.E Office, APWD, Teressa, JE Office, APWD, Chowra, A.E Office, APWD, Katchal, EOC, Kamorta and EOC, Campbell Bay for use of issuance of alerts & warnings to the general public during any disaster/emergency through blowing of sirens at high pitch/volume.

The above Sirens will be blown in the following manner during Inter State Mock Exercise - 2025 schedule to be held on Nov. 4 from 08.15 am to 10.30 am for issuance of simulated alerts and warnings to start Mock Exercise, rescue and operations:

Sl. No.	Threat Status	Earthquake & Wave amplitude Criteria	Blast of Siren to be blown at the time of threat	Advice/ Action
01.		EQ> 6.5 M Wave Amplitude below 0.5 Mtr.	One Long Blast	No immediate action is required. However watch to be kept on the change in magnitude and intensity of the event
02.		EQ> 6.5 M Wave Amplitude between 0.50 to 2.0 Mtr.	Two Long Blast	1) People in sea beaches and vulnerable areas to move to higher ground 2) Vessel to move into deep ocean
03.		EQ> 6.5 M Wave Amplitude above 2.00 Mtr.	Three Long Blast	1) People in affected areas to evacuate 2) Vessel to move into deep ocean

Sirens of Electronic Display Board installed at Police Control Room, State Control Room, Junglighat (Fisheries Deptt.), Met Office, MRCC, JOC, INS Jarawa, Fisheries Deptt. at Rangat, EOC at Mayabunder, MRCC at Diglipur, Fisheries Deptt. at Hut Bay, EOC at Kamorta, EOC at Car Nicobar, and MRCC & EOC at Campbell Bay will also be blown in a similar manner.

The general public have been requested to not to panic during blowing of sirens for Inter State Mock Exercise 2025 Nov. 4 from 08.15 am to 10.30 am. In case of any unexpected changes or updates, the public will be notified through local news, social media, etc. For any inquiry may contact (Helpline No. 112, 1070, 1077), a press release from Directorate of Disaster Management said.

Inter State Mock Exercise-2025 on Earthquake & Tsunami in A&N Islands to be conducted on Nov. 4

Exercise aims to test Incident Response System of A&N Islands

Sri Vijaya Puram, Nov. 1

The Andaman & Nicobar Administration and National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), Government of India, New Delhi in collaboration with Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS), MoES, GoI, Hyderabad will conduct the Inter State Mock Exercise (ISME) - 2025 on Earthquake and Tsunami

in the A&N Islands on 04th November, 2025.

This exercise aims to test the Incident Response System (IRS) of ANI, evaluate the readiness and coordination of emergency response mechanisms, and strengthen disaster preparedness across the A&N Islands by involving all Emergency Support Functionaries (ESFs), Incident Response Teams

(IRTs), and local communities. The exercise forms a vital component of the Administration's continuous efforts to enhance preparedness, coordination, and resilience of all response agencies.

The Director (Disaster Management), A&N Administration has requested the general public to extend their full cooperation during the

forthcoming mock exercise on earthquake and tsunami preparedness. He has advised all residents to remain calm and continue with their normal routine activities, as the exercise is a scheduled preparedness drill and poses no real threat to public safety.

Key Activities during the Exercise

- Increased Emergency Presence: Citizens may notice increased movement of emergency vehicles such as PCR vans, Fire Tenders, Ambulances, and other specialized units across the Islands. These are part of the planned exercise and are not responding to an actual emergency.

• Simulated Scenarios: (Contd. on last page)

'Consultation on Safeguarding the Girl Child: Towards a safer & enabling environment for Her' held

Sri Vijaya Puram, Nov. 1

The Juvenile Justice Committee, High Court at Calcutta in collaboration with Department of Social Welfare



11. DOs AND DONTs



EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS

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|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| (i) 112 | - Emergency Response Support System |
| (ii) 1070/234287 | - State Emergency Operation Centre |
| (iii) 242697/233311 | - Directorate of Disaster Management |
| (iv) 238881/1077 | - District EOC |



- Turn on your radio to learn if there is a Tsunami warning if an earthquake occurs and you are in a coastal area.
- Be alert for Early Warnings.
- Learn to understand and notice the sea. If there is noticeable recession in water away from the shoreline become cautious and move away immediately.
- Move inland to higher ground immediately and stay there.
- Stay away from the beach.
- Never go down to the beach to watch tsunami come in. If you can see the wave you too close to escape it.
- Stay away from flooded and damaged areas until officials say it is safe to return.
- Stay Away from debris in the water; it may pose a safety hazard to boats and people.
- Save yourself – not your possessions.

EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS

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| (i) 112 | - Emergency Response Support System |
| (ii) 1070/234287 | - State Emergency Operation Centre |
| (iii) 242697/233311 | - Directorate of Disaster Management |
| (iv) 238881/1077 | - District EOC |

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